CLAIM AMENDMENTS

1-15. (Canceled)

16. (Currently amended) Method for anchoring to a concrete base a floor attachment assembly that comprises a floor attachment member having top and bottom sides, at least two compressible pads attached to the bottom side of said floor attachment member, and two holes extending through said attachment member, said method comprising the following steps:

(1) providing a fastener and sleeve assembly that includes a fastener having a shank with a leading end and a trailing end and a radially-projecting head at said trailing end, and a sleeve having a bottom end and a top end, a radially projecting flange at said top end, an axial bore, and a ~~countersink~~ counterbore for said axial bore at said top end, with said leading end of said shank intruding into said axial bore via said ~~countersink~~ counterbore;

(2) inserting said fastener and sleeve assembly into one of said holes with said bottom end of said sleeve projecting below the bottom side of said attachment member and with the head of said fastener disposed above and spaced from the top side of said attachment member;

(3) providing a pneumatically powered tool having a nozzle, a hammer bore in said nozzle, and a hammer mounted for reciprocal movement in said hammer bore;

(4) inserting said nozzle in said ~~countersink~~ counterbore so that the head of said fastener intrudes into said hammer bore; and

(5) operating said tool so that said hammer impacts said fastener head with sufficient force to drive said fastener into said concrete base far enough to cause the head of said fastener to (a) force said flange into tight engagement with said attachment member and (b) anchor said attachment member to said base without compressing said pads.

17. (Original) Method according to claim 16 wherein in step (1) the head of said fastener extends above said attachment member.

18. (Original) Method according to claim 16 wherein in step (5) the depth of penetration of said fastener into said base is limited by said sleeve.

19. (Currently amended) Method for anchoring to a concrete base a floor attachment assembly that comprises a floor attachment member having top and bottom sides, at least two compressible pads attached to the bottom side of said floor attachment member, and two holes extending through said attachment member, said method comprising the following steps:

(1) providing a sleeve having a bottom end and a top end, a radially projecting flange at said top end, an axial bore, and a ~~countersink~~ counterbore for said axial bore at said top end,

(2) providing a manually operable pneumatic driver having a nozzle member comprising an elongate nozzle having an end section with an end surface that is sized to fit in said ~~countersink~~ counterbore, a striker bore in said nozzle extending for the length of said nozzle, a side opening in said nozzle leading to said striker bore, a striker mounted for axial movement in said striker bore, means for reciprocally driving said striker through (a) a rapid drive stroke whereby said striker is moved from an at-rest position in which the striker is withdrawn into said bore to an extended fastener-driving position in which said striker projects beyond said end surface and (b) a rapid return stroke whereby the striker is withdrawn from said fastener-driving position back to said at-rest position; a magazine for holding a plurality of fasteners each characterized by a shank and a flanged head, and means for feeding fasteners into said striker bore via said side opening when said nozzle is in said at-rest position,

(3) inserting said sleeve into one of said holes with its said flange overlying the top side of said attachment member;

(4) inserting said nozzle in said ~~countersink~~ counterbore so that said striker bore is coaxial with said axial bore;

(5) operating said tool so that said striker impacts the head of a fastener positioned in said striker bore with sufficient force to drive said fastener so that its shank passes through said axial bore and penetrates said concrete base far enough to cause the head of said fastener to (a) force said flange into tight engagement with said attachment member and (b) anchor said attachment member to said base without compressing said pads.

20. (Original) Method according to claim 19 wherein said end section of said nozzle has a cylindrical outer surface.

21. (Currently amended) Method according to claim 19 wherein said end section of said nozzle is sized to make a close fit with said ~~countersink~~ counterbore.

22. (Original) Method according to claim 19 wherein in step (5) the depth of penetration of said fastener into said base is limited by said sleeve.

23. (Original) Method according to claim 19 wherein when said sleeve is inserted into said hole, the bottom end of said sleeve projects below said attachment member by a predetermined amount so that it is substantially flush with the bottom side of said each compressible pad.

24. (Original) Method according to claim 19 wherein in step (5) the depth of penetration of said fastener into said base is limited by said sleeve.

25. (Currently Amended) Method according to claim 19 wherein ~~said~~ the heads of said fasteners are sized to make a close sliding fit in said striker bore.